Michael Freund SBN 99687 1 Ryan Hoffman SBN 283297 Michael Freund & Associates 2 1919 Addison Street, Suite 105 Berkeley, CA 94704 3 Telephone: (510) 540-1992 Facsimile: (510) 540-5543 4 Attorneys for Plaintiff 5 ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER б Daniel S. Silverman (SBN 137864) Jennifer Levin (SBN 252420) 7 Venable LLP 2049 Century Park East, Suite 2100 β Los Angeles, CA 90067 9 Telephone: (310) 229-9900 Facsimile: (310) 229-9901 10 Attorneys for Defendant 11 NUTRAMEDIX, LLC 12 13 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 14 COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 15 ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CASE NO. RG13700050 CENTER, a California non-profit 16 corporation, [PROPOSED] STIPULATED 17 CONSENT JUDGMENT; [PROPOSED] Plaintiff, ORDER 18 ٧, Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq. 19 NUTRAMEDIX, LLC and DOES 1-100 20 Action Filed: October 22, 2013 Trial Date: None set 21 Defendants. 22 23 24 25 1. INTRODUCTION On October 22, 2013, Plaintiff Environmental Research Center ("ERC"), a non-26 1.1 profit corporation, as a private enforcer, and in the public interest, initiated this action by filing 27 a Complaint for Injunctive and Declaratory relief and Civil Penalties (the "Complaint") 28

pursuant to the provisions of California Health and Safety Code section 25249.5 et seq. ("Proposition 65"), against NutraMedix, LLC ("NutraMedix") and Does 1-100. In this action, ERC alleges that the product manufactured, distributed or sold by NutraMedix, as more fully described below, contains lead, a chemical listed under Proposition 65 as a carcinogen and reproductive toxin, and that such product exposes consumers at a level requiring a Proposition 65 warning. This product is: NutraMedix Zeolite.

- 1.2 The Complaint is based on allegations contained in ERC's Notice of Violation, dated January 18, 2013 ("NOV I"), that was served on the California Attorney General, other public enforcers, and NutraMedix. A true and correct copy of NOV I is attached as Exhibit A. More than 60 days have passed since NOV I was mailed, and no designated governmental entity has filed a complaint against NutraMedix with regard to NutraMedix Zeolite or the alleged violations.
- 1.3 On or about December 2, 2013, NutraMedix filed an Answer to the Complaint in which it denied all material allegations in the Complaint.
- 1.4 On May 23, 2014, ERC issued an additional Proposition 65 60-Day Notice of Violation ("NOV II") to Nutramedix and served it on the California Attorney General, other public enforcers, and Nutramedix regarding the additional product NutraMedix Zeolite HP 550 mg. Both NutraMedix Zeolite and NutraMedix Zeolite HP 550 mg shall hereinafter be referred to individually as "Covered Product" or collectively as "Covered Products." NOV I and NOV II are collectively referred to as "Notices of Violation" hereinafter.
- 1.5 ERC is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes, helping safeguard the public from health hazards by reducing the use and misuse of hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and encouraging corporate responsibility.
- 1.6 NutraMedix is a business entity that employed ten or more persons. NutraMedix arranges the manufacture, distribution, and sale of the Covered Products.
- 1.7 ERC and NutraMedix are referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties."

- 1.8 Stipulation to Amend the Complaint. ERC and Nutramedix stipulate that ERC may be granted leave to amend the Complaint and that the Complaint shall hereafter be deemed amended to include NutraMedix Zeolite HP 550 mg in the interest of settling this matter completely with relation to the Covered Products and in preserving judicial economy.
- 1.9 ERC's Notices of Violations and the Complaint allege that use of the Covered Products exposes persons in California to lead without first providing clear and reasonable warnings in violation of California Health and Safety Code section 25249.6. NutraMedix denies all material allegations contained in the Notices of Violation and Complaint.
- 1.10 The Parties have entered into this Consent Judgment in order to settle, compromise and resolve disputed claims and thus avoid prolonged and costly litigation. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall constitute or be construed as an admission by any of the Parties, or by any of their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, parent companies, subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, franchises, licensees, customers, suppliers, distributors, wholesalers, resellers or retailers. Except for the representations made above, nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission by NutraMedix or ERC of any fact, issue of law, or violation of law, nor shall compliance with this Consent Judgment be construed as an admission by NutraMedix or ERC of any fact, issue of law, or violation of law, at any time, for any purpose.
- 1.11 Except as expressly set forth herein, nothing in this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive, or impair any right, remedy, argument, or defense the Parties may have in any other or future legal proceeding unrelated to these proceedings.
- 1.12 The Effective Date of this Consent Judgment is fifteen (15) days after it is entered as a Judgment by this Court.

2. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

For purposes of this Consent Judgment and for any further court action that may become necessary to enforce this Consent Judgment, the Parties stipulate that this Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the allegations of violations contained in the Complaint, personal jurisdiction over NutraMedix as to the acts alleged in the Complaint, that venue is proper in Alameda County,

and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment as a full and final resolution of all claims which were or could have been asserted in this action based on the facts alleged in the Notices of Violation and the Complaint.

3. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND WARNINGS

3.1 Beginning on the Effective Date, NutraMedix shall not manufacture for sale in the State of California, distribute into the State of California¹, or directly sell in the State of California, any Covered Products which expose a person to a daily dose of lead of more than 0.5 micrograms per day when the maximum suggested dose is taken as directed on the Covered Products' label, unless each such unit of the Covered Products meets the warning requirements under Section 3.2.

3.2 Clear and Reasonable Warnings

If NutraMedix provides a warning for the Covered Products pursuant to Section 3.1, NutraMedix must provide the following warning:

WARNING: This product contains a chemical [chemicals], known to the State of California to cause [cancer and] birth defects or other reproductive harm.

NutraMedix shall use the term "cancer and" in the warning only if the maximum daily dose recommended on the label contains more than 15 micrograms of lead as determined pursuant to the quality control methodology set forth in Section 3.3. Nutramedix may use the word "chemicals" in the warning rather than the phrase "a chemical" if at any time Nutramedix has knowledge that the Covered Products contain chemicals in addition to lead at a level requiring a Proposition 65 warning.

The warning appearing on the label or container shall be at least the same size as the largest of any other health or safety warnings correspondingly appearing on the label or container, as applicable, or such product, and the word "WARNING" shall be in all capital letters and in

¹ As used in Consent Judgment, the term "distribute for sale into California" shall mean to directly ship a Covered Product into California for sale in California or to sell a Covered Product to a distributor if NutraMedix has knowledge that the distributor will sell the Covered Product in California.

bold print. No other statements about Proposition 65 or lead may accompany the warning. NutraMedix shall not provide any general or "blanket" warning regarding Proposition 65.

NutraMedix must display the above warnings with such conspicuousness, as compared with other words, statements, or design of the label or container, as applicable, to render the warning likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase or use of the product.

Nutramedix shall also provide the warning prior to completing checkout when a California delivery address is indicated in connection with the sale of the Covered Products.

3.2.1 For purposes of this Consent Judgment, daily lead exposure levels shall be measured in micrograms, and shall be calculated using the following formula: micrograms of lead per gram of product, multiplied by grams of product per serving of the product (using the largest serving size appearing on the product label), multiplied by servings of the product per day (using the largest number of servings in a recommended dosage appearing on the product label) which equals micrograms of lead exposure per day.

4. SETTLEMENT PAYMENT

- 4.1 In full satisfaction of all civil penalties, payment in lieu of civil penalties, attorney's fees, and costs, NutraMedix shall make a total payment of \$49,250.00 ("Total Settlement Amount") to ERC within ten (10) days of the Effective Date. Nutramedix shall make this payment by wire transfer to ERC's escrow account, for which ERC will provide Nutramedix with the necessary account information and taxpayer identification information.
- 4.2 As a portion of the Total Settlement Amount, \$13,257.85 shall be payable as civil penalties pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(b)(1). Of this amount, \$9,943.39 will be distributed by ERC to the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and \$3,314.46 will be retained by Environmental Research Center. California Health and Safety Code section 25249.12(c)(1) & (d).
- 4.3 Also as a portion of the Total Settlement Amount, \$1,002.10 shall be payable to Environmental Research Center as reimbursement to ERC for reasonable costs incurred as a result of work in bringing this action.

4.4 \$14,380.00 shall be distributed to Michael Freund and \$517.50 shall be distributed to Ryan Hoffman as reimbursement of ERC's attorney's fees, and \$20,092.55 shall be distributed to ERC as reimbursement for its in-house legal fees.

5. MODIFICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

- 5.1 This Consent Judgment may be modified only (i) by written stipulation of the Parties or pursuant to Section 5.4 and (ii) upon entry by the Court of a modified Consent Judgment.
- NutraMedix must provide written notice to ERC of its intent ("Notice of Intent"). If ERC seeks to meet and confer regarding the proposed modification in the Notice of Intent, then ERC must provide written notice to NutraMedix within thirty (30) days of receiving the Notice of Intent. If ERC notifies NutraMedix in a timely manner of ERC's intent to meet and confer, then the Parties shall meet and confer in good faith as required in this Section. The Parties shall meet in person or by phone within thirty (30) days of ERC's notification of its intent to meet and confer. Within thirty days of such meeting, if ERC disputes the proposed modification, ERC shall provide to NutraMedix a written basis for its position. The Parties shall continue to meet and confer for an additional thirty (30) days in an effort to resolve any remaining disputes. The Parties may agree in writing to different deadlines for the meet-and-confer period.
- 5.3 In the event that NutraMedix initiates or otherwise requests a modification under Section 5.1, NutraMedix shall reimburse ERC its costs and reasonable attorney's fees for the time spent in the meet-and-confer process and filing and arguing a joint motion or application in support of a modification of the Consent Judgment.
- 5.4 Where the meet-and-confer process does not lead to a joint motion or application in support of a modification of the Consent Judgment, then either Party may seek judicial relief on its own. In such a situation, the prevailing party may seek to recover costs and reasonable attorney's fees. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party" means a party who is successful in obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the

other party was amenable to providing during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute that is the subject of the modification.

6. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION, ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

- 6.1 This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to enforce, modify or terminate this Consent Judgment.
- 6.2 Only after it complies with Section 15 below may any Party, by motion or application for an order to show cause filed with this Court, enforce the terms and conditions contained in this Consent Judgment.
- 6.3 If ERC alleges that the warning contemplated by this Agreement has not been provided, then ERC shall inform NutraMedix in a reasonably prompt manner of its allegation, including information sufficient to permit NutraMedix to identify the Covered Product at issue. NutraMedix shall, within thirty days following such notice, provide ERC with information demonstrating Defendant's compliance with the Consent Judgment, if warranted. The Parties shall first attempt to resolve the matter prior to ERC taking any further legal action.

7. APPLICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between the Parties and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, parent companies, subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, franchisees, licensees, customers (excluding private labelers), distributors, wholesalers, resellers, retailers, predecessors, successors, and assigns. This Consent Judgment shall have no application to any Covered Product which is distributed or sold exclusively outside the State of California and which is not used by a California consumer. If Proposition 65 is repealed this Consent Judgment shall terminate automatically without the need for further action by the parties. If Proposition 65 is amended, or modified resulting in the establishment of a Maximum Allowable Dose Level ("MADL") applicable to the ingestion of lead that is more or less stringent than 0.5 micrograms per day, this Consent Judgment shall be deemed modified to incorporate the new MADL on the date the amendment becomes final; provided however, such time period shall be extended to include the completion through final appeal of timely filed legal

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27 28 challenges. The new MADL shall thereafter replace the references in this Consent Judgment to 0.5 micrograms.

8. BINDING EFFECT, CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED

- 8.1 This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between ERC, on behalf of itself and in the public interest, and NutraMedix, of any alleged violation of Proposition 65 or its implementing regulations for failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings of exposure to lead from the handling, use, or consumption of the Covered Products and fully resolves all claims that have been or could have been asserted in this action up to and including the Effective Date for failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings for the Covered Products. ERC, on behalf of itself and in the public interest, hereby discharges NutraMedix and its respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, parent companies, subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, suppliers, franchisees, licensees, customers (not including private label customers of NutraMedix, distributors, wholesalers, resellers, retailers, and all other upstream and downstream entities in the distribution chain of any Covered Product, and the predecessors, successors and assigns of any of them (collectively, "Released Parties"), from any and all claims, actions, causes of action, suits, demands, liabilities, damages, penalties, fees, costs and expenses asserted, or that could have been asserted, as to any alleged violation of Proposition 65 arising from the failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings on the Covered Products regarding lead.
- 8.2 ERC, on behalf of itself only, hereby releases and discharges the Released Parties from all known and unknown claims for alleged violations of Proposition 65 arising from or relating to alleged exposures to lead in the Covered Products as set forth in the Notices of Violation. It is possible that other claims not known to the Parties arising out of the facts alleged in the Notices of Violation or the Complaint and relating to the Covered Products will develop or be discovered. ERC, on behalf of itself only, acknowledges that this Consent Judgment is expressly intended to cover and include all such claims, including all rights of action therefore. ERC has full knowledge of the contents of California Civil Code section 1542. ERC, on behalf of itself only, acknowledges that the claims released in Sections 8.1 and

8.2 above may include unknown claims, and nevertheless waives California Civil Code section

1542 as to any such unknown claims. California Civil Code section 1542 reads as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR.

ERC, on behalf of itself only, acknowledges and understands the significance and consequences of this specific waiver of California Civil Code Section 1542.

- 8.3 Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall be deemed to constitute compliance by any Released Party with Proposition 65 regarding alleged exposures to lead in the Covered Products as set forth in the Notices of Violation and the Complaint.
- 8.4 Nothing in this Consent Judgment is intended to apply to any occupational or environmental exposures arising under Proposition 65, nor shall it apply to any of NutraMedix's products other than the Covered Products.
- 8.5 ERC and NutraMedix each release and waive all claims they may have against each other for any statements or actions made or undertaken by them in connection with the Notices of Violation or the Complaint; provided, however, that nothing in Section 8 shall affect or limit any Party's right to seek to enforce the terms of this Consent Judgment.

9. SEVERABILITY OF UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS

In the event that any of the provisions of this Consent Judgment is held by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the remaining enforceable provisions shall not be adversely affected,

10. GOVERNING LAW

The terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

11. PROVISION OF NOTICE

All notices required to be given to either Party to this Consent Judgment by the other shall be in writing and sent to the following agents listed below by: (a) first-class, registered, or certified mail; (b) overnight courier; or (c) personal delivery. Courtesy copies via email may also be sent.

	FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH
	Chris Heptinstall, Executive Director Environmental Research Center
	3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 400 San Diego, CA 92108
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•	With a copy to:
1	Michael Freund SBN 99687
8	Ryan Hoffman SBN 283297 Michael Freund & Associates
9	1919 Addison Street, Suite 105 Berkeley, CA 94704
10 11	Telephone: (510) 540-1992 Facsimile: (510) 540-5543
12	FOR NUTRAMEDIX, LLC
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14	Bruce A Hodge Vice President, Nutramedix, LLC
15	561-745-2917 phone 561-745-0168 fax
16	John Hardion lax
17	With a copy to:
18	Claudia A. Lewis
19	575 7th Street, NW Washington, DC 20004
20	Telephone: 202.344.4359
21	Facsimile: 202.344.8300
22	and
23	Jennifor Louis (SDN 252400)
24	Jennifer Levin (SBN 252420) Venable LLP
25	2049 Century Park East, Suite 2100 Los Angeles, CA 90067
26	Telephone: (310) 229-9900 Facsimile: (310) 229-9901
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12. COURT APPROVAL

- 12.1 If this Stipulated Consent Judgment is not approved by the Court, it shall be void and have no force or effect.
- 12.2 ERC shall comply with California Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(f) and with Title II of the California Code Regulations, Section 3003.

13. EXECUTION AND COUNTERPARTS

This Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts, which taken together shall be deemed to constitute one document. A facsimile or .pdf signature shall be construed as valid as the original signature.

14. DRAFTING

The terms of this Consent Judgment have been reviewed by the respective counsel for the each Party to this Settlement prior to its signing, and each Party has had an opportunity to fully discuss the terms with counsel. The Parties agree that, in any subsequent interpretation and construction of this Consent Judgment entered thereon, the terms and provisions shall not be construed against any Party.

GOOD FAITH ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE DISPUTES 15.

If a dispute arises with respect to either Party's compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment entered by the Court, the Parties shall meet in person or by telephone and endeavor to resolve the dispute in an amicable manner. No action or motion may be filed in the absence of such a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute beforehand. In the event an action or motion is filed, however, the prevailing party may seek to recover costs and reasonable attorney's fees. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party" means a party who is successful in obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the other party was amenable to providing during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute that is the subject of such enforcement action.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZATION 16.

This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement and 16.1 understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter herein, and any and all

prior discussions, negotiations, commitments and understandings related hereto. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those contained herein have been made by any Party. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, unless specifically referred to herein, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any Party.

16.2 Each signatory to this Consent Judgment certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the Party he or she represents to stipulate to this Consent Judgment. Except as explicitly provided herein, each Party shall bear its own fees and costs.

17. REQUEST FOR FINDINGS, APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AND ENTRY OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

This Consent Judgment has come before the Court upon the request of the Parties. The Parties request the Court to fully review this Consent Judgment and, being fully informed regarding the matters which are the subject of this action, to:

- (1) Find that the terms and provisions of this Consent Judgment represent a fair and equitable settlement of all matters raised by the allegations of the Complaint, that the matter has been diligently prosecuted, and that the public interest is served by such settlement; and
- (2) Make the findings pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(f)(4), approve the Settlement, and approve this Consent Judgment,

IT IS SO STIPULATED:

Dated: ///3/, 2014 ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER
By:

Dated: 11/13, 2014 NUTRAMEDIX, LLC

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14		JUDGMENT Based upon the Parties' Stipulation, and good cause appearing, this Consent Judgment is
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January 18, 2013

NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.5 ET SEQ. (PROPOSITION 65)

Dear Alleged Violator and the Appropriate Public Enforcement Agencies:

I represent Environmental Research Center ("ERC"), 3111 Camino Del Rio North. Suite 400, San Diego, CA 92108; Tel. (619) 500-3090. ERC's Executive Director is Chris Heptinstall. ERC is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes, helping safeguard the public from health hazards by reducing the use and misuse of hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and encouraging corporate responsibility.

ERC has identified violations of California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 ("Proposition 65"), which is codified at California Health & Safety Code §25249.5 et seq., with respect to the products identified below. These violations have occurred and continue to occur because the alleged Violator identified below failed to provide the required clear and reasonable warnings with these products. This letter serves as a notice of these violations to the alleged Violator and the appropriate public enforcement agencies. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d), ERC intends to file a private enforcement action in the public interest 60 days after effective service of this notice unless the public enforcement agencies have commenced and are diligently prosecuting an action to rectify these violations.

General Information about Proposition 65. A copy of a summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, is an attachment with the copy of this letter served to the alleged Violator identified below.

Alleged Violator. The name of the company covered by this notice that violated Proposition 65 (hereinafter "the Violator") is:

NutraMedix, LLC

<u>Consumer Products and Listed Chemicals</u>. The product that is the subject of this notice and the chemical in that product identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

NutraMedix Zeolite - Lead

On February 27, 1987, the State of California officially listed lead as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male and female reproductive toxicity. On October 1, 1992, the State of California officially listed lead and lead compounds as chemicals known to cause cancer.

It should be noted that ERC may continue to investigate other products that may reveal further violations and result in subsequent notices of violations.

Route of Exposure. The consumer exposures that are the subject of this notice result from the purchase, acquisition, handling and recommended use of these products. Consequently, the primary route of exposure to

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these chemicals has been and continues to be through ingestion, but may have also occurred and may continue to occur through inhalation and/or dermal contact.

Approximate Time Period of Violations. Ongoing violations have occurred every day since at least January 18, 2010, as well as every day since the product was introduced into the California marketplace, and will continue every day until the Violator provides clear and reasonable warnings to product purchasers and users or until these known toxic chemicals are either removed from the product or reduced to allowable levels in the product. Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to the identified chemicals. The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product label. The Violator violated Proposition 65 because it failed to provide persons handling and/or using these products with appropriate warnings that those persons are being exposed to these chemicals.

Consistent with the public interest goals of Proposition 65 and a desire to have these ongoing violations of California law quickly rectified, ERC is interested in seeking a constructive resolution of this matter that includes an enforceable written agreement by the Violator to: (1) reformulate the identified product so as to eliminate further exposures to the identified chemical, or provide appropriate warnings on the labels of this product; and (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty. Such a resolution will prevent further unwarned consumer exposures to the identified chemicals, as well as an expensive and time-consuming litigation.

ERC has retained me as legal counsel in connection with this matter. Please direct all communications regarding this Notice of Violations to my attention at the law office address and telephone number indicated on the letterhead.

Sincerely,

Mile French

Michael Freund

Attachments

Certificate of Merit
Certificate of Service
OEHHA Summary (to NutraMedix, LLC and their Registered Agent)
Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to AG only)

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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Re: Environmental Research Center's Notice of Proposition 65 Violations by NutraMedix, LLC I, Michael Freund, declare:

- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached 60-day notice in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notice violated California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
 - 2. I am an attorney for the noticing party.
- 3. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who have reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the exposure to the listed chemicals that are the subject of the notice.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through those consultants, and on other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiff's case can be established and that the information did not prove that the alleged Violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- 5. Along with the copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General is attached additional factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in California Health & Safety Code §25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: January 18, 2013

Michael Freund

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true and correct:

I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of 18 years of age, and am not a party to the within entitled action. My business address is 306 Joy Street, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia 30742. I am a resident or employed in the county where the mailing occurred. The envelope or package was placed in the mail at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

On January 18, 2013, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; "THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY" on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the parties listed below and depositing it at a U.S. Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Certified Mail:

Timothy J. Eaton, Current President or CEO NutraMedix, LLC 2885 Jupiter Park Drive, Suite 1600

Jupiter, FL 33458

Timothy J. Eaton, Current President or CEO NutraMedix, LLC 18349 SE Heritage Drive Tequesta, FL 33469

Bruce A. Hodge, Registered Agent for NutraMedix, LLC 2885 Jupiter Park Drive, Suite 1600 Jupiter, FL 33458

Bruce A. Hodge, Registered Agent for NutraMedix, LLC 18064 Taylor Road Jupiter, FL 33478

On January 18, 2013, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.7(d)(1) on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it at a U.S. Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Certified Mail:

Office of the California Attorney General Prop 65 Enforcement Reporting 1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000 Post Office Box 70550 Oakland, CA 94612-0550

On January 18, 2013, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT on each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto, and depositing it at at U.S. Postal Service with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Priority Mail.

Executed on January 18, 2013, in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Amber Schaub

Film Glade

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Service List

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District Attorney, Butte County 25 County Center Drive, Suite 245 Oroville, CA 95965

District Attorney, Calaveras County 891 Mountain Ranch Road San Andreas, CA 95249

District Attorney, Colusa County 346 Fifth Street Suite 101 Colusa, CA 95932

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District Attorney, El Dorado County 515 Main Street Placerville, CA 95667

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May 23, 2014

NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.5 ET SEQ. (PROPOSITION 65)

Dear Alleged Violator and the Appropriate Public Enforcement Agencies:

I represent Environmental Research Center ("ERC"), 3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 400, San Diego, CA 92108; Tel. (619) 500-3090. ERC's Executive Director is Chris Heptinstall. ERC is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes, helping safeguard the public from health hazards by bringing about a reduction in the use and misuse of hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and encouraging corporate responsibility.

ERC has identified violations of California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 ("Proposition 65"), which is codified at California Health & Safety Code §25249.5 et seq., with respect to the product identified below. These violations have occurred and continue to occur because the alleged Violator identified below failed to provide required clear and reasonable warnings with this product. This letter serves as a notice of these violations to the alleged Violator and the appropriate public enforcement agencies. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d), ERC intends to file a private enforcement action in the public interest 60 days after effective service of this notice unless the public enforcement agencies have commenced and are diligently prosecuting an action to rectify these violations.

General Information about Proposition 65. A copy of a summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, is enclosed with this letter served to the alleged Violator identified below.

Alleged Violator. The name of the company covered by this notice that violated Proposition 65 (hereinafter the "Violator") is:

Nutramedix, LLC

<u>Consumer Products and Listed Chemicals</u>. The product that is the subject of this notice and the chemical in that product identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

NutraMedix Zeolite HP 550 mg - Lead

On February 27, 1987, the State of California officially listed lead as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male and female reproductive toxicity. On October 1, 1992, the State of California officially listed lead and lead compounds as chemicals known to cause cancer.

It should be noted that ERC may continue to investigate other products that may reveal further violations and result in subsequent notices of violations.

Route of Exposure. The consumer exposures that are the subject of this notice result from the purchase, acquisition, handling and recommended use of this product. Consequently, the primary route of exposure to these

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chemicals has been and continues to be through ingestion, but may have also occurred and may continue to occur through inhalation and/or dermal contact.

Approximate Time Period of Violations. Ongoing violations have occurred every day since at least May 23, 2011, as well as every day since the product was introduced into the California marketplace, and will continue every day until clear and reasonable warnings are provided to product purchasers and users or until these known toxic chemicals are either removed from or reduced to allowable levels in the product. Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to the identified chemicals. The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product label. The Violator violated Proposition 65 because it failed to provide persons handling and/or using this product with appropriate warnings that they are being exposed to these chemicals.

Consistent with the public interest goals of Proposition 65 and a desire to have these ongoing violations of California law quickly rectified, ERC is interested in seeking a constructive resolution of this matter that includes an enforceable written agreement by the Violator to: (1) reformulate the identified product so as to eliminate further exposures to the identified chemical, or provide appropriate warnings on the labels of this product; and (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty. Such a resolution will prevent further unwarned consumer exposures to the identified chemicals, as well as an expensive and time consuming litigation.

ERC has retained me as legal counsel in connection with this matter. Please direct all communications regarding this Notice of Violation to my attention at the law office address and telephone number indicated on the letterhead.

Sincerely,

Mile Freund

Michael Freund

Attachments

Certificate of Merit
Certificate of Service
OEHHA Summary (to Nutramedix, LLC and its Registered Agent for Service of Process only)
Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to AG only)

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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Re: Environmental Research Center's Notice of Proposition 65 Violations by Nutramedix, LLC I, Michael Freund, declare:

- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached 60-day notice in which it is alleged that the party identified in the notice violated California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
 - 2. I am an attorney for the noticing party.
- 3. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who have reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the exposure to the listed chemicals that are the subject of the notice.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through those consultants, and on other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiff's case can be established and that the information did not prove that the alleged Violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- 5. Along with the copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General is attached additional factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in California Health & Safety Code §25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: May 23, 2014

Michael Freund

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true and correct:

I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of 18 years of age, and am not a party to the within entitled action. My business address is 306 Joy Street, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia 30742. I am a resident or employed in the county where the mailing occurred. The envelope or package was placed in the mail at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

On May 23, 2014, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; "THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY" on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it at a U.S. Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Certified Mail:

Current President or CEO Nutramedix, LLC 2885 Jupiter Park Drive, Suite 1600 Jupiter, FL 33458

Current President or CEO Nutramedix, LLC 18349 SE Heritage Drive Tequesta, FL 33469 Bruce A. Hodge (Nutramedix, LLC's Registered Agent for Service of Process) 2885 Jupiter Park Drive, Suite 1600 Jupiter, FL 33458

Bruce A. Hodge (Nutramedix, LLC's Registered Agent for Service of Process) 18064 Taylor Road Jupiter, FL 33478

On May 23, 2014, I electronically served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.7(d)(1) on the following party by uploading a true and correct copy thereof on the California Attorney General's website, which can be accessed at https://oag.ca.gov/prop65/add-60-day-notice:

Office of the California Attorney General Prop 65 Enforcement Reporting 1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000 Oakland, CA 94612-0550

On May 23, 2014, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT on each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto, and depositing it at a U.S. Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Priority Mail.

Executed on May 23, 2014, in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Tiffany Capehart

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